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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Tuesday, 23 February 1954

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Wisner, Colonel White, Messrs. Kirkpatrick, [ ] Sheldon, [ ]

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Mr. Dulles:

a. Referred to a cable from the [ ] (IN-20178), and approved [ ] recommendation that we agree in principle with the proposal contained therein. Mr. Wisner suggested that at such time as action on this proposal is initiated by CIA we clear such action with the Department of State. The Director concurred.

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d. Noted a cable [ ] (IN-20616) respecting arms [ ] and after some discussion, approved a modest amount of light arms and ammunition [ ] from our stockpile [ ]

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e. Referred to cables from the [ ] (IN-20602 and 20510) respecting Yugoslav overtures regarding a Balkan Pact and approved Mr. Wisner's suggestion that the comments [ ] contained in this message be made available to the Department of State.

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f. Noted a brief prepared on the report submitted by [ ] and stated it was an excellent piece of work and the writer should be complimented. The Director expressed the opinion that we had missed an opportunity to "receive a few kudos" for the [ ] report and asked that it be furnished the FBI in its entirety today. Mr. Sheldon undertook to follow through on this. The Director also asked Mr. Sheldon that a copy of the above-mentioned brief be furnished the members of the IAC as a matter of priority.

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Mr. Sheldon:

Raised the question of whether [REDACTED] conference. The Director said the whole problem of our people attending such conferences would have to be considered. Mr. Wisner strongly recommended that a representative of WH attend the forthcoming meeting to be held in Caracas and noted his intention of discussion this matter further with the Director after the meeting.

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